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TO AMEMBASSY JIDDA PRIORITY

AMCONSUL AMSTERDAM

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BTIO, BPRO, SA

SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT: DAMMAN HARBOR DREDGING PROJECT

1. KAMAL MANNA, DIRECTOR OF PROJECTS, "SAUDI ARABIAN MARKETS", CALLED AT EMBASSY SEPTEMBER 12 TO INTRODUCE HIMSELF AND HIS FIRM. MANNA STATED HE IS PALESTINIAN, MARRIED TO SAUDI ARABIAN, AND DOING BUSINESS AS AGENT FOR MAJOR PROJECTS IN JIDDA. PRINCIPAL OF "SAUDI ARABIAN MARKETS", ACCORDING TO MANNA, IS SHEIKH MOHAMMAD ASHMAWZ. FIRM'S ADDRESS IS P.O. BOX 65, JIDDA, TELEX: 4067.

2. MANNA STATED HE HAS MEETING SCHEDULED WITH GREAT LAKES DREDGING AND DOCKS IN AMSTERDAM WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17. ACCORDING TO MANNA, GREAT LAKES IS ONE OF PRE-QUALIFIED BIDDERS ON DAMMAN PROJECTION. HE ESTIMATES PROJECT AT \$800 MILLION AND DESIRES TO ACT AS AGENT FOR GREAT LAKES. HE HAS GIVEN US SEVERAL IMPRESSIVE REFERENCES IN FRANCE AND REQUESTED EMBASSY RECOMMEND HIM TO GREAT LAKES. WE HAVE OFFERED TO VERIFY HIS BONA FIDES AND PASS ON INFO TO GREAT LAKES IF REQUESTED.

3. ACTION REQUESTED FROM JIDDA: WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ANY INFO IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE COVERING UNCLASSIFIED

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BONA FIDES OF MANNA AND "SAUDI ARABIAN MARKETS." ALSO

PLEASE INFORM AMSTERDAM.

4. ACTION REQUESTED FROM AMSTERDAM: IF GREAT LAKES
(CULNAN) CONTACTS YOU RE MANNA, PLEASE PASS ON INFO
AS APPROPRIATE RECEIVED FROM AMEMBASSY JIDDA.
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